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January 20, 2022

In the Matter of:

Bryant's Limousine, LLC / IN RE:

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ALABAMA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

HEARING

RE: BRYANT'S LIMOUSINE, LLC

Docket No. 33202

JANUARY 20, 2022

10:05 A.M.

100 North Union Street
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

COMMISSIONER:

Lisa Bailey

ACCR #289

1 (Proceedings began, 10:05 a.m.)

2 HEARING OFFICER: For the record, today
3 is January 20, 2022. We are here for Docket
4 33202. Application of Bryant's Limousine,
5 LLC.

6 This is an application to institute a
7 new operation as a common carrier by motor
8 vehicle and intrastate commerce over the
9 regular routes and the transportation of
10 passengers and their baggage between all
11 points in the counties of Jefferson,
12 St. Clair, Shelby, Tuscaloosa, Chilton,
13 Walker, Talladega, Montgomery, and Madison
14 counties.

15 This application was filed on January
16 5th 2022. And the Notice of Hearing was
17 served on January 6th 2022. The record
18 reflects that no intervention for protest has
19 been filed.

20 So at this time I'll take appearances.
21 So who is appearing on behalf of the
22 application? And you need you to state your
23 name, your position, and your business address

1 and your telephone number for the record.

2 APPLICANT: Kelvin Bryant. Address is
3 1201 Pleasant Grove Road, Pleasant Grove,
4 Alabama. I'm the owner of the business.

5 HEARING OFFICER: And your telephone
6 number, please?

7 APPLICANT: Telephone number,
8 (205)478-4140.

9 HEARING OFFICER: All right. Are there
10 any further appearances?

11 APPLICANT: No.

12 HEARING OFFICER: Let the record reflect
13 no one else has entered an appearance.

14 So do you have any preliminary matters,
15 anything, changes to your application, or any
16 updated information?

17 APPLICANT: No.

18 HEARING OFFICER: Okay. So at this time
19 I'll swear in anybody who might testify.

20 Are both of you going to give testimony?

21 APPLICANT: I'll speak. And then he's a
22 witness.

23 HEARING OFFICER: So he'll give

1 testimony?

2 APPLICANT: Yes, ma'am.

3 HEARING OFFICER: So if both of you will
4 stand and raise your right hand.

5 (Witnesses were first duly sworn.)

6 HEARING OFFICER: Let the record reflect
7 that both have affirmed.

8 So now you can make your presentation in
9 support of your application. And I'm looking
10 for the company's background, experience, and
11 what services you want to provide and how you
12 intend to provide those and how you determine
13 need.

14 So after you -- if I have some
15 questions, then I'll ask them after you're
16 finished.

17 Start off with your name for the record.

18 APPLICANT: My name is Kelvin Bryant.
19 Pleasant Grove, Alabama. Here for Bryant's
20 Limousine of Birmingham, Alabama. And I am
21 seeking the approval of this Commission to
22 operate a limousine service that's based in
23 Pleasant Grove, Alabama which is a suburb of

1 Birmingham, Alabama. And the purpose for our
2 seeking this is that we want to serve
3 Birmingham and surrounding cities and counties
4 with a luxury limousine service. Birmingham,
5 Alabama is a city with the population of over
6 207,000 people. And with the surrounding
7 cities that's at least three times that amount
8 of people. And we only have between 15 to 18
9 limousine services within that jurisdiction
10 that is serving that amount of people. And,
11 therefore, it is not enough transportation for
12 those people who are seeking this kind of
13 service. Our service -- we're seeking to be
14 able to accommodate people with weddings and
15 anniversaries and birthday celebrations, and
16 even sometime on the sad occasion some
17 families desire limousine service for funerals
18 such as my family did about three years ago at
19 the untimely death of my brother. My sister-
20 in-law desired this kind of limousine service,
21 and because she couldn't find it in Birmingham
22 we had to use Prestige Limousine all the way
23 from Tuscaloosa, Alabama. So I'm trying to

1 provide this kind of service for the people in
2 our city and the surrounding cities.

3 Also, there are people who come in to
4 Birmingham Airport on private jets and
5 corporate people who do not desire Ubers or
6 Lyft or cabs. And they desire to get off the
7 jet and have private transportation. And we
8 want to provide that service.

9 Lastly, July the 7th through the 17th
10 the world will descend upon Birmingham,
11 Alabama with the World Games. And I want to
12 be able to provide legal transportation for
13 people who are coming in and out of our city
14 so that they can be safely taken care of.

15 I have been a limousine driver in our
16 city for a run of close to ten years before
17 driving funeral homes' limousines and taking
18 care of families on that level. It is also my
19 desire to continue to have training for
20 drivers from qualified people and certified
21 people who will help train our drivers and
22 make sure that we're operating on the level
23 that we should.

1 And whatever the rules and regulations
2 of this Commission is for us to operate, I'm
3 willing to follow whatever we need to follow
4 to make sure that we stay in line with this
5 Commission.

6 Thank you.

7 HEARING OFFICER: I have just a few
8 questions. One is whether your service will
9 be wheelchair accessible or not.

10 APPLICANT: No, ma'am, we're not.

11 HEARING OFFICER: And the other, do you
12 intend on regularly doing drug testing on
13 drivers?

14 APPLICANT: Yes, ma'am, as a matter of
15 fact we will.

16 HEARING OFFICER: And can you tell me
17 about your insurance coverage?

18 APPLICANT: Our insurance coverage is
19 through Brookshire Insurance, and it is the
20 highest that we could get, you know, as far as
21 the liabilities and all that is concerned. I
22 wish I had all the paperwork in front of me.
23 Yes, ma'am, we're with Brookshire Insurance.

1 HEARING OFFICER: You'll carry the
2 insurance coverage that is necessitated by the
3 rules of the Commission?

4 APPLICANT: Yes, ma'am.

5 HEARING OFFICER: Okay. So is all of
6 your traffic going to originate in Birmingham
7 and surrounding cities, or are you going to
8 originate traffic in Montgomery or Talladega?

9 APPLICANT: No, ma'am. I think when I
10 was filling this out I probably had the wrong
11 concept. And that is that sometimes if we're
12 in the midst of a funeral service, that
13 funeral service may originate in Birmingham,
14 Alabama and they may bury the people in
15 Montgomery and then go back to Birmingham. I
16 just thought that any county that I go into I
17 need to be able to be licensed to go into that
18 city.

19 HEARING OFFICER: So to --

20 APPLICANT: Like to go to Madison County
21 just saying that I'm picking up people there,
22 most of the time I'll be taking them from
23 Birmingham.

1 HEARING OFFICER: But you do intend to
2 keep the ability to pick up in Montgomery?

3 APPLICANT: Yes, ma'am.

4 HEARING OFFICER: Or Madison or counties
5 other than Jefferson?

6 APPLICANT: Yes, ma'am.

7 HEARING OFFICER: That's all the
8 questions I have for you. Do you have a
9 witness that you would like to call?

10 APPLICANT: Yes, ma'am. My witness is
11 Edward Rogers from Birmingham, Alabama.

12 HEARING OFFICER: And, Mr. Rogers, I'll
13 remind you that you have been sworn in. And
14 are you going to ask him questions, or is he
15 just going to give a narrative?

16 APPLICANT: Yes, ma'am, I can ask him.

17 HEARING OFFICER: Okay.

18 APPLICANT: Mr. Rogers, is it your --
19 what is your viewpoint as far as the amount of
20 limousine services we have in Birmingham? Do
21 you think that we have enough, or would Bryant
22 Limousine be an asset?

23 THE WITNESS: There is a need for the

1 limousine service for transportation in
2 Birmingham. And you have shown your ability
3 to help meet that need. And we're here so
4 that we can do a better job in supporting and
5 bringing Birmingham transportation up to
6 another level.

7 APPLICANT: Mr. Rogers, do you believe
8 that Bryant's Limousine has the integrity
9 enough to follow all the rules and regulations
10 of this Commission?

11 THE WITNESS: Yes, I do. I do know of
12 Bryant and you all operate at a high rate of
13 excellence. And we have used your service and
14 seen how great that you treat the people and
15 the people that drive for you are trained to
16 do so. So I would recommend and would use it
17 every time I need to.

18 APPLICANT: Thank you, Mr. Rogers.

19 HEARING OFFICER: Let me ask a question.
20 You said you used them. Is that through a
21 business? Do you own a business or is that
22 personally?

23 THE WITNESS: Personally and business.

1 I'm the pastor of a church and a former vice
2 president of the state convention of Alabama.
3 And we have guests that come in. And we were
4 able to be able to use his facility and his --
5 he has a van and cars. And we would be able
6 to use that. So I've seen him and know of his
7 work, and I recommend that he meet that need
8 in Birmingham.

9 HEARING OFFICER: All right. Thank you.
10 I don't think I have any further questions.

11 You have the right to a report and
12 recommended order. Because this is an
13 unopposed motor carrier application, if you
14 would like, you can waive that right. And it
15 could possibly expedite the process this
16 application will go through. But it's
17 entirely up to you. Would you like to waive
18 your right?

19 APPLICANT: Yes, I would like to waive
20 it.

21 HEARING OFFICER: All right. I don't
22 see that we have any items that we need to be
23 submitting post-hearing. So I don't see that

1 there's anything else for us here. I'm going
2 to take this matter under advisement. And
3 this hearing is concluded.

4 (End of proceedings, 10:18 a.m.)
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STATE OF ALABAMA)

JEFFERSON COUNTY)

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing deposition was taken down by me in stenotype, and the questions and answers thereto were reduced to computer print under my Supervision, and that the foregoing represents a true and correct transcript of the deposition given by said witness upon said hearing.

I further certify that I am neither of counsel nor of kin to the parties to the action, nor am I in anywise interested in the result of said cause.



Lisa Bailey, CCR #289

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